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STEEL MILL PRODUCTION LAGS; TURBINE INSTITUTE NEAR COMPLETION

"JFISINGRAD" STEEL MILL DOES NOT FULFILL PLAN -- Sarajevo, Oslobodjenje, 9 Jun 51

The "Jelsingrad" Steel Mill in Banja Luka, the largest steel mill in Bosnia-Herzegovina, has been fulfilling only 70 percent of its production plan for some time. This has been due to shortages of industrial oxygen, raw material, and electric power, and also to the fact that the mill's capacity is not adequate for the production of as much steel as the plan calls for.

The "Jelsingrad" Steel Mill obtained industrial oxygen from the oxygen plants in Sisak and Alipasin Most. Because of transport difficulties and irregular deliveries, the General Directorate for Metallurgy ordered that the oxygen plant in Alipasin Most be disassembled and transferred to the "Jelsingrad" Mili. This has scarcely been completed to date, and it does not seem likely that the oxygen plant will be in operation scon.

Most of the scrap? iron was obtained from Yugoslav state railroads, but the quantities obtained were not sufficient to answer production capacities.

The "Jelsingrad" Steel Mill obtains electric power from the "Laus" Thermal Power Plant. However, unexpected interruptions in the transmission of electric power have cut production considerably.

When the production plan for 1951 was set up, new capacities for the mill were taken into consideration. Since most of the installations planned have not been installed, the new capacities have not been realized nor the production plan fulfilled.

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TURBINE INSTITUTE BEING COMPLETED -- Belgrade, Borba, 12 Jun 51

Ljubljana, il June -- The main construction work on the large shop for the Purbine Institute in Ljubljana is nearing completion. Workshops are being put up in the immediate vicinity in which hydraulic equipment is to be built for the institute's experimental work on turbines.

Yugoslav factories are to build most of the equipment for the institute.

TO TRANSFER ZMAJ, SUMADIJA FACTORIES -- Ljubljana, Slovenski Porocevalec, 4 Jun 51

A large agricultural tool factory has been built not far from Zemun on the Belgrade-Zagreb highway. The "Zmaj" and "Sumadija" agricultural tool factories in Zemun and Belgrade, respectively, which have been combined, are to be transferred to the new factory. The first equipment was moved from the "Zmaj" Factory in April 1951.

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